Post-election report

Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation

ANMF - Western Australia Branch Scheduled election E2021/114



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Organisation: ANMF - Western Australia Branch

Election: Scheduled

Election Decision No/s: E2021/114

Rules

Rules used for the election: 145V: Incorporates alterations of 04 June 2021 [R2021/14]

(replaces rulebook dated 22 June 2020 [R2020/54]])

Rules difficult to apply/interpret: No

Model Rule reference (if any): N/A

For more details see the Model Rules on the AEC website: www.aec.gov.au/ieb/

Roll of Voters

Based on an analysis of the register of members the Returning Officer has formed the opinion that the:

Total number of voters on the Roll: 36,967

Number of apparent workplace addresses: 120
Number of non-current addresses: 612

Other matters pertaining to the roll of voters:

Other Matters

Returning Officer actions required (Section 193): No

Details:

Rules regarding the timetable of the election were set aside as the AEC held concerns that the coronavirus pandemic may impact on the ability for stakeholders to fully participate in the election. A timetable for the conduct of the ballot which varied from the rules was set when the AEC was satisfied that stakeholders would be able to fully participate.

Timetable was extended by 14 days from 16/12/2021 to 05/01/2022. due to delays in Australia Post deliveries.

Signed

Kathleen Cassar Returning Officer

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19 January 2022

Attachments

- A. Declaration of results for Uncontested Offices WA
- B. Declaration of Results for Contested Offices WA

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ANMF - Western Australia Branch DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2021/114 Uncontested Offices

Scheduled Election

The results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and the rules of the organisation are:

Western Australian Branch

Branch Councillor (Insufficient nomination) (1)

Candidates

No Nominations Received

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ANMF - Western Australia Branch

DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2021/114 Contested Offices

Scheduled Election

The results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* and the rules of the organisation are:

Western Australian Branch

VOTING MATERIAL ISSUED		
Total number of people on the roll of voters (a)	36,967	
Number of voters issued with voting material	36,967	
Total number of voters issued with replacement voting material	3	
Total number of voting material packs issued	36,970	
VOTING MATERIAL RETURNED		
Total number of envelopes returned for scrutiny by closing date of ballot (b)	3,893	
Number of declaration envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny (minus)	19	
Number of ballot papers returned outside declaration envelopes (minus)		
COUNT		
Total ballot papers admitted to the count	3,874	
LATE OR UNRETURNED VOTING MATERIAL		
Voting material returned as unclaimed mail by closing date of ballot	612	
Voting material packs not returned by voters by closing date of the ballot	32,465	
Percentage of voting material packs returned by voters to number of people on the roll of voters (b/a)	11 %	

Branch President (1)

<u>Candidates</u>	Final Votes
FOWLER, Trish	2,241
BEST, Anne Lorna	1,529
Total ballot papers admitted for this office	3,874
Formal Ballot papers	3,770
Informal Ballot papers	104

I declare the following elected:

• FOWLER, Trish

Branch Executive Committee Member (2)

Branch Executive Committee Member (2)	
<u>Candidates</u>	Final Votes
MCDERMOTT, Megan	2,524
FENN, Samantha	2,108
CLANCY, Michael	1,956
Total ballot papers admitted for this office	3,874
Formal Ballot papers	3,777
Informal Ballot papers	97
I declare the following elected:	Order Elected
MCDERMOTT, Megan	1
FENN, Samantha	2
Branch Councillor (9)	
<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Final Votes</u>
SINCLAIR, Ray	2,148
TUTT, Lyn	2,353
WATERS, Beth	2,533
DUNCAN, Serena	1,969
MAZOUE, Vince	2,174
DANIELS, Elaine	2,705
MAGILL, Andrea	2,167
BARRON, Sam	2,181
CASEY, Dean	1,524
NATOLI, Lisa	2,697
VOKE, Steve	1,636
COLLISON, Lee	2,110
Total ballot papers admitted for this office	3,874
Formal Ballot papers	3,775
Informal Ballot papers	99
I declare the following elected:	Order Elected
DANIELS, Elaine	1
NATOLI, Lisa	2
WATERS, Beth	3

Kathleen Cassar Returning Officer

• TUTT, Lyn

• BARRON, Sam

• MAZOUE, Vince

• MAGILL, Andrea

• SINCLAIR, Ray

· COLLISON, Lee

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DECISION

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 s.189—Arrangement for conduct of an election

Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation (E2021/114)

MR STEENSON SYDNEY, 23 JULY 2021

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 25 June 2021 the Western Australian Branch of the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission (the Commission) prescribed information for an election. Amended prescribed information was lodged on 21 July 2021 to fill the following offices for a new term of office:

Branch President	(1)
Branch Executive Committee Members	(2)
Branch Councillors	(9)

[2] The prescribed information also sought to fill the following office, for the remainder of its term, due to insufficient nominations received in a previous election (E2020/123):

Branch Councillor (1)

- [3] In relation to the prescribed information lodged about the insufficient nominations received in election E2020/123, I note that in that previous election six (6) Branch Councillor offices were called to be filled but only four (4) nominations were received and declared elected, apparently leaving two Branch Councillor offices vacant.
- [4] On 20 July 2021, Commission staff contacted the Branch querying why only one (1) insufficient nominations vacancy for Branch Councillor was sought to be filled in this current election (E2021/114). On the same date, the Branch responded, advising that the request for six (6) Branch Councillors in election E2020/123 had been made in error.
- [5] The rules of the organisation, in particular rule 65.2.3, provide that the number of Branch Councillors in a Branch shall be determined by the Branch Council, provided that there are at least five (5) and no more than twenty (20) such Councillors (in addition to the offices known as Branch Officers and Executive members, who are also members of Council).
- [6] The Branch provided, as part of its 20 July 2021 response, a copy of the Branch Council resolution, by which the number of Branch Councillors was reduced from a total of 15 to 14 Branch Councillors. The Branch officers (with the exception of the Branch Secretary) have a term of office for two years. The elections for the Branch officers alternate so that since the

relevant Branch Council resolution, the number of Branch Councillor offices scheduled to be filled in each odd-numbered year is nine (9) and in each even-numbered year is five (5).

[7] I am satisfied that an election for the abovenamed offices is required to be held under the rules of the organisation and, under subsection 189(3) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*, I am making arrangements for the conduct of the election by the Australian Electoral Commission.



DELEGATE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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PRESCRIBED INFORMATION FOR ELECTIONS in accordance with Section 189 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and Regulation 138 Fair Work (Registered

Organisations) Regulations 2009

I, Mark Olson, being the Branch Secretary of the Australian Nursing Federation Western

Australian Branch make the following statement:

I am authorised to sign this statement containing prescribed information for Australian

Nursing Federation, WA Branch.

1. The following information is lodged under subsection 189(1) of the Fair Work (Registered

Organisations) Act 2009 (the RO Act).

2. The elections that are required are set out in the table in Annexure A.

3. Insufficient nominations were received in an earlier election(s) and the declaration/s of

results is/are attached.

4. No rule alterations are pending that will impact the election.

This statement **IS NOT** lodged at least 2 months before nominations open for the election(s)

in Annexure A. The reason it is lodged after the prescribed time is:

a. This is a revised statement the original statement was lodged on 25/06/2021

Signed:

Dated: 21/07/2021

Annexure A

• Elections that are required [insert as many pages as required]

Branch	Name of Office	Number required	Voting System Direct voting system; Collegiate electoral system	Reason for Election Scheduled; Casual vacancy; New office created; Insufficient nominations	Electorate
Australian Nursing Federation, WA Branch	Branch President	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Rule 85.1.1
Australian Nursing Federation, WA Branch	Branch Executive Committee Members	2	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Rule 85.1.1
Australian Nursing Federation, WA Branch	Branch Councillors	9	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Rule 85.1.1
Australian Nursing Federation, WA Branch	Branch Councillor	1	Direct Voting System	Insufficient number of nominations	Rule 85.1.1

Important dates:

	Direct Voting System	Collegiate Electoral System
Nominations OPEN	For offices to elected by direct voting system – after 1 September To be determined by the returning officer. Rule 85.1.1 relevantly provides that for the WA Branch, the election shall be conducted between the 1 September and the 30 October in each alternate year, provided that the returning officer may call for nominations prior to 1 September in the year of elections	

Nominations CLOSE	For offices to be elected by direct voting system no later than - 12 noon, 30 th October. To be determined by the returning officer. Rule 85.1.1 relevantly provides that for the WA Branch, the election shall be conducted between the 1 September and the 30 October in each alternate year, provided that the returning officer may call for nominations prior to 1 September in the year of elections
Roll of Voters cut off date	In all cases - 7 days prior to the opening date for nominations - rule 85.4.1

NOTES: For insufficient nominations and casual vacancies, the date nominations open and close, unless specified in the rules, should be listed as 'To be determined by the returning officer'. This also applies where rules are silent as to the nominated dates.

If the nomination dates are 'To be Determined by the Returning Officer', but your organisation has a *preference*, please state 'To be Determined by Returning Officer' and clearly indicate that your nominated date is a preference.

If the P.I. includes a position that is not an office, please refer to our template <u>Prescribed information for the election of officer and non-officer positions</u>.